

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended): A decision tree based data mining system for processing data; comprising:

a multiplicity of processors,
an object oriented pattern recognition algorithms module for pattern recognition, comprising:

a multiplicity of data files,
a decision tree system including
an object oriented module operatively connected to said processors and connected to said data files to read said data and partition said data files among said multiplicity of processors,

an object oriented module operatively connected to said processors to parallel sort said data using said multiplicity of processors, if sorting is necessary,

an object oriented module operatively connected to said processors to determine the best manner to split said data according to some criterion, and

an object oriented module operatively connected to said processors to split said data, and

a data mining system, having
a storage module, and
an object oriented linking module for linking said decision tree system and said storage module.

2. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 1 wherein said object oriented module to determine the best manner to split said data is based on tests on single attributes of said data.

3. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 1 wherein said object oriented module to determine the best manner to split said data is based on a OC1 algorithm.

4. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 1 wherein said object oriented module to determine the best manner to split said data is based on a CART-LC algorithm.

5. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 1 wherein said object oriented module to determine the manner to best split said data is based on an evolutionary algorithm.

6. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 1 wherein said criterion is the Gini index.

7. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 1 wherein said criterion is the information gain.

8. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 1 wherein said criterion is the information ratio.

9. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 1 wherein said criterion is the twoing rule.

10. (Currently Amended): A decision tree based data mining system for processing data, comprising:

a multiplicity of processors,

an object oriented pattern recognition algorithms module for pattern recognition, comprising:

a multiplicity of data files,

a decision tree system including

a parallel object oriented module operatively connected to said processors and connected to said data files to read said data and partition said data files

among said multiplicity of processors, said data containing data items with features,

a parallel object oriented module operatively connected to said processors to parallel sort said data using said multiplicity of processors, if sorting is necessary,

a parallel object oriented module operatively connected to said processors to determine the best manner to split said data into subsets according to some criterion,

a parallel object oriented module operatively connected to said processors to split said data, and

a data mining system, having
a storage module to store the features for each data item,
a parallel object oriented linking module for linking said decision tree system and said storage module.

11. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 10 wherein said parallel object oriented module to determine the best manner to split said data is based on tests on single attributes of said data.

12. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 10 wherein said parallel object oriented module to determine the best manner to split said data is based on a OC1 algorithm.

13. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 10 wherein said parallel object oriented module to determine the best manner to split said data is based on a CART-LC algorithm.

14. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 10 wherein said parallel object oriented module to determine the manner to best split said data is based on an evolutionary algorithm.

15. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 10 wherein said criterion is the Gini index.

16. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 10 wherein said criterion is the information gain.

17. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 10 wherein said criterion is the information ratio.

18. (Original): The decision tree system of claim 10 wherein said criterion is the twoing rule.

19. (Currently Amended): A decision tree based data mining method for processing data utilizing a multiplicity of processors, comprising the steps of:

- providing data files containing objects having relevant features,
- recognizing patterns among said objects based upon said relevant features,
- creating a decision tree system,
- using said multiplicity of ~~processor~~ processors for reading said data from said data files using an object oriented module,
- using said multiplicity of ~~processor~~ processors for partitioning said data files among said multiplicity of processors,
- using said multiplicity of ~~processor~~ processors for parallel sorting said data using an object oriented module and said multiplicity of processors if sorting is necessary,
- determining the best manner to split said data into subsets according to some criterion using an object oriented module, and
- splitting said data using an object oriented module.

20. (Original): The decision tree method of claim 19 wherein said parallel object oriented module to determine the best manner to split said data is based on tests on single attributes of said data.